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CJC's vision becomes reality

Law seminar provides students with advice, CJC members with sense of accomplishment

BY MELISSA BATKA
Editor in Chief

Students who had their eyes set on law school found advice and assistance at the Law Information Seminar, which was sponsored by the criminal justice club and career services, on October 19.

The seminar was held in three sessions. During the first session, representatives from 15 law schools and judicial agencies were available to answer students' questions about internships, admissions and jobs.

The second session was a panel discussion hosted by Lake County Judge Judy Cantrell, Assistant Professor Frank Colucci, Porter County Chief Deputy Prosecutor Brian Gensel and Julie Rosenberg of Chicago Kent College of Law.

The third session was a personal statement workshop held by Colucci and Kelly Collins of Kaplan, a test prep and admissions agency.

For would-be law students, a personal statement can be a crucial part of the admissions process where a 1 to 2 page essay is written stating why the applicant should be admitted.

Corinna Edmond, who coordinated the first-ever event was surprised and pleased with the turnout of nearly 60 students.

For Edmond, a senior studying political science, the seminar was more than just a chance for students to learn about a degree in law; it was a vision she shared for both students and the university.

"Prior to this, [PUC] did not have anything established to help give students the tools they needed to move on to law school," said Edmond. "It would have been nice if I would have been able to participant in a program like this before I graduated, so I helped lay the foundation for the [history and political science] department to build off of."

Edmond saw a need and made it her goal to fill it. She began working on the project over the summer, keeping in close contact with Dan Bruce, a fellow CJC member, who, at the time, was studying abroad in Spain.

Bruce, a senior studying political science, explained that Edmond worked relentlessly to make her vision a reality.

The event was funded almost entirely by the CJC which held a fundraiser to help afford the expenses. Donations were made by Saul Lerner, head of the history and political science department and Shelly Robinson, associate director of career serv-



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Olga Doukas and Nicole Giorgi receive a warm welcome and some information from Corinna Edmond.

ices, whose department helped co-sponsor the event.

"Since the school has expanded and grown so much, it is important that they give students the tools to know what they can do and how they can do it," said Bruce. "One day we hope that events like these will be so huge that all departments and organizations can participate."

As the last of the participants dwindled

out of Alumni Hall at the end of the event, Edmond and Bruce felt a great deal of pride and gratitude for their accomplishment, the participants and everyone who helped to make it possible.

Having proven that with hard work and dedication even students can make a difference, it is their hope that the university will recognize the achievement of the CJC, and help facilitate similar events in the future.

Safety first with ASSE

BY SIDHARTH MISHRA
Cub Reporter

Many people have the habit of taking safety for granted whether it be in their homes, workplace or vehicles.

Some people also take for granted that the things that keep us safe, such as the design and installation of a fire detector or determining the percentage of pollutants present in air or water in a factory, are very involved tasks.

It is things such as these that require the expertise of safety professionals.

Safety management is a growing profession and PUC is leading the way in this field by offering both bachelor's and associate degrees as well as certification programs in safety management through the school of technology.

The American Association of Safety Engineers, Purdue student chapter, held a meeting at PUC last Monday where careers in safety engineering and management were discussed.

The meeting was chaired by
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PUC students to debate English Speaking Union

BY ISABEL RODRIGUEZ
Chief Copy Editor

The department of communications and creative arts along with the Center of Student Achievement are co-sponsoring the American-British Debate on Wednesday, November 9 in Alumni Hall.

The English Speaking Union, which represents debate unions from Scotland, England and Wales is sending its two winning debaters of the British Mace, the official title for the winners, on tour around US college campuses and will be stopping at PUC to debate with two students.

The two debaters from Great Britain will be paired with one PUC student for the debate, which will be covering the debate issue provided by The Cross Examination Debate Association. This year's topic is "The USFG should substantially increase diplomatic and economic pressure on the People's Republic of China in one or more of the following areas: trade, human rights, weapons non-proliferation, Twain."

Assistant Vice Chancellor for

Academic Affairs Ronald Kovach said that having a PUC debater paired with a visiting debater makes for a more dynamic debate.

"It's more lively to have people from two different countries share a perspective and present an argument against a particular issue from two paired with two different experiences and university educations," Kovach said.

The two PUC students debating, Danielle Royster and Matthew Fledderjohann, are currently being coached by Professors Corya Channing and Richard Rupp for the debate.

Channing, who also coached last year's debaters, said she was helping with this year's students by viewing last year's debate and analyzing style.

"They are going to be as ready as they can be compared to the Great Britain debaters who are doing this everyday and have been for who knows how many years," said Channing. "This is a serious topic but a very enjoyable experience for the audience."

"We get to hear from some very bright people, our team as well as theirs."

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What's Goin' On?

A look around

Student Life & Activities Announces October Inspired Leaders Series Workshops

Dr. Ken Coopwood, Director of
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on "Diversity" on Friday, October 28,
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in SUL room
with view.

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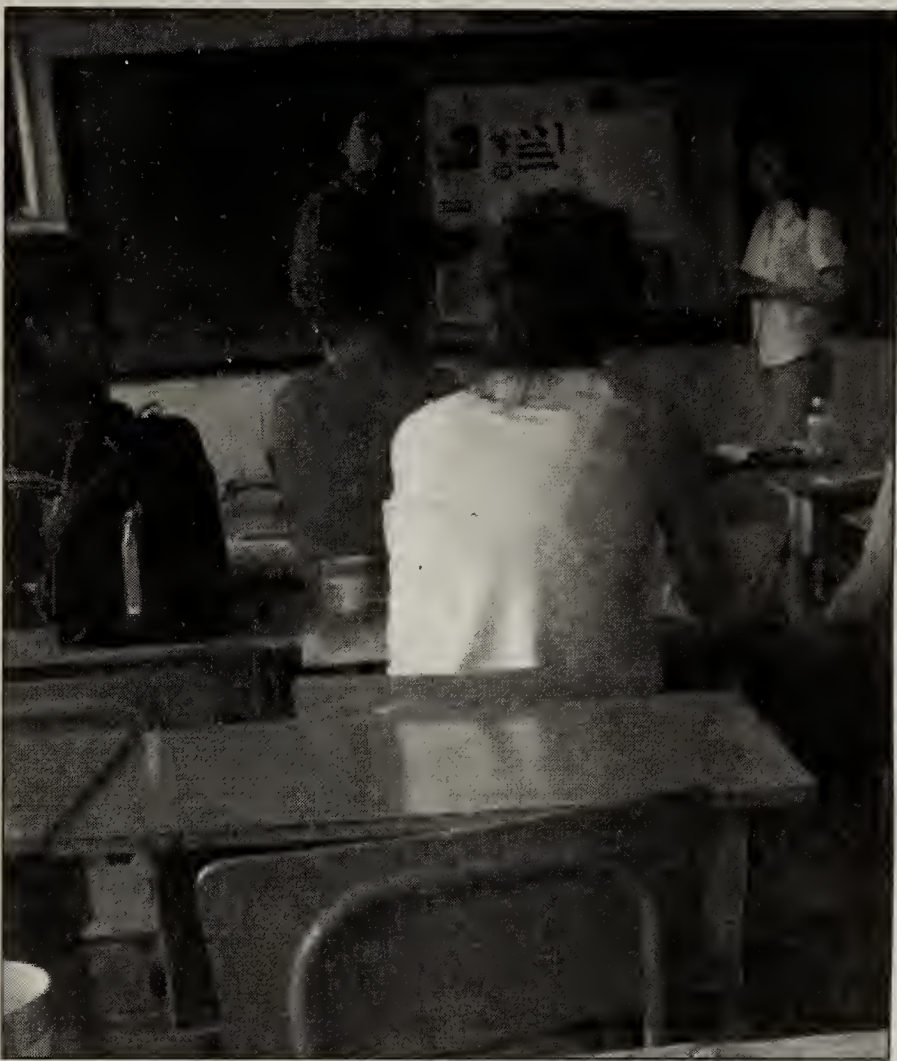


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Goucher college students take in a lecture while studying abroad in China. At Goucher, studying abroad is now a mandatory part of the curriculum.

BY HOLLI CHMELA
New York Times

Study abroad has been an option for Goucher College students for 25 years. Beginning next fall, it will be mandatory. At minimum, Goucher students will have to take a three-week course abroad, but they may choose a semester or an entire year of study overseas.

College officials say the requirement is part of the college's 2002 strategic plan.

"I don't see how we can claim to have educated a young person, give them a liberal arts education, if we don't provide them with study-abroad programs," said Goucher's president, Sanford J. Ungar. "The overriding principle is that young Americans be introduced to the idea that other people have important things to contribute to societies."

Goucher, located just north of Baltimore, was founded in 1885 as a college for women. It went co-ed in 1986.

Mr. Ungar said he thought the requirement would help attract students.

"It won't make magic in a year or two, or even four or five. We're just a little college of 1,300; maybe we'll go up to 1,500," he said. "I think we will lose a few applicants who are reluctant to go abroad, but we'll gain a lot of applicants because of it. I hope we will attract intelligent students, adventurous students."

In announcing the study-abroad requirement, Goucher pledged to provide every student with a \$1,200 travel voucher to offset costs. Students can study anywhere the college offers a program, and the credits can be applied as required courses or as electives. The vouchers will draw from the operating budget of the college, which in large part comes from tuition, the endowment and donors.

"We felt that \$1,200 was a good starting point for subsidy," said Eric Singer, associate dean of international studies. "Scholarships are available, and no student will be denied travel due to financial status."

Mr. Singer said that in special cases, students could be exempt from going abroad, but would have to fulfill an equivalent requirement in the United States. In the past, he said, students have taught English as a second language, worked with immigrant communities in Baltimore, or promoted Maryland international trade at the World Trade Center here.

Many students said that Goucher's new requirement would enrich the college, but that it could be difficult financially for some students, and was therefore unrealistic. The \$1,200 vouchers cover only part of the three-week courses, which cost between \$2,000 and \$3,000.

"As students, we can understand the value of studying abroad, but for our parents it's different," said Brittany Wagner, a senior.

In the past academic year, 230 of Goucher's 1,300 undergraduates studied

abroad. That represents an increase of 25 percent over the last five years.

Nationally, the number of American students who study abroad has more than doubled over the past decade, reaching nearly 175,000 in the 2002-3 academic year, according to the Institute of International Education. Still, fewer than 1 percent of American undergraduates study abroad, the institute says.

"Urging by deans, provosts, board members, faculty will drive these numbers up," said Peter McPherson, president emeritus of Michigan State University and president-designate of the National Association of Universities and Land Grant Colleges.

Mr. McPherson is a leader of the Lincoln Commission, whose members plan to release a report next month outlining ways Congress can help increase study abroad opportunities, particularly in developing countries.

"I've always encouraged students to go to developing countries or middle-class countries because it gives students a flavor they don't get in Europe," Mr. McPherson said in a phone interview.

Victor Johnson, the public policy director of Nafsa, the Association of International Educators, said that some schools required students in certain fields to study abroad, but that it was difficult to make it a requirement because of the cost.

Officials at Goucher said the only school they found with a similar requirement was Soka University of America. Founded in May 2001 in Southern California, Soka is a very focused liberal arts college based on Buddhist principles, and requires its students to study abroad for a semester in their junior year.

Amanda Thom Woodson, a dance professor at Goucher, has led several groups of students on three-week study programs to Brazil and West Africa, and plans to go to India this year. Of the 13 upperclassmen in her advanced modern dance class, only 3 or 4 had not yet studied abroad or did not plan to.

Dan Phillips, 21, a senior majoring in international relations and peace studies, said he looked forward to sharing stories with new Goucher students.

"People learn from each other," Mr. Phillips said. "You hear students all the time comparing their experiences in India, Amsterdam and Spain. It opens people's eyes to the world and fosters conversation and dialogue."

Ann Mae Stellwag, a senior, disagreed. "The thought of being forced out of the country is wrong," she said. "It's some nerve to do that, especially with war going on."

But Ingrid Abeleda, a junior, said that seeing the world at first hand was a valuable supplement to classroom learning.

"The students coming in should see it as an opportunity, not a mandated requirement," she said.

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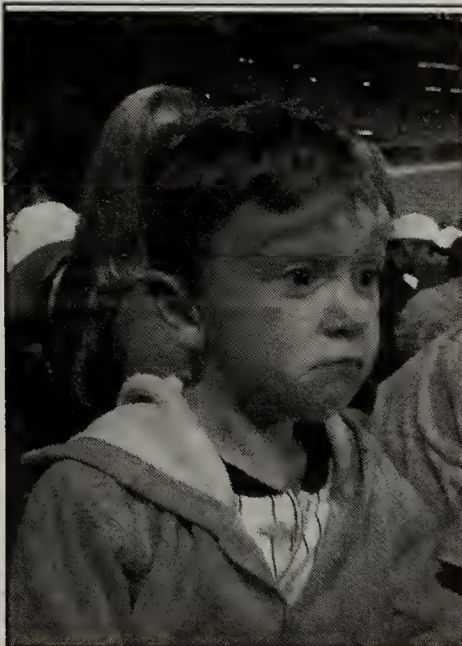
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Unnecessary stress

Every December and May students are subjected to final exams. Luckily, the university creates a schedule so that student's finals are staggered and they are not stuck taking all of their finals in one day. There is even an extended time limit to take finals. These changes take some of the edge off of stressful tests.

What about midterms though? Some students have 5 or 6 classes each day. Some unlucky students have all of their midterms on only two days. The unluckiest have them all on one day.

This is college and sometimes you just have to suck it up and do your best. However, the university tries to help students do their best to keep those ever important retention rates up. The fact that midterms can bombard a student in one short week is unfair.

Many students in a sink-or-swim position need to get their grades up by midterms if they are going to make it to finals week at all. They sometimes have to study for 5 tests while normal classes are going on each day. It does not seem fair.

While not all classes have midterms, it seems like the university should do something. One alternative to taking a week out of class for midterms might be to allow students a choice of when to take their test. For example, in a class that takes place on Tuesday and Thursday each week the instructor could allow students to pick either day to take their midterm. On classes that meet once a week, instructors could give students two weeks to choose from. Missing one day of class would give students more time to study for their tests.

If there was a simple option students could get the best grades possible on their midterms. They could plan their own study schedules for the maximum success. Classes where there is no midterm could go on as usual.

This alternative might mean a little more work for the instructor. While most students appreciate the hard work many instructors do, a little extra could not hurt.

The only other downside is that instructors would lose one day of class time. All in all, one day couldn't possibly make that much of an impact.

Midterms each year cause stress throughout campus. People seem a little grumpier and a lot more tired. Attending a commuter college is hard enough, with most students working outside of school. It can be next to impossible to find time to study, especially if a student has to attend all their classes during the time they are taking exams.

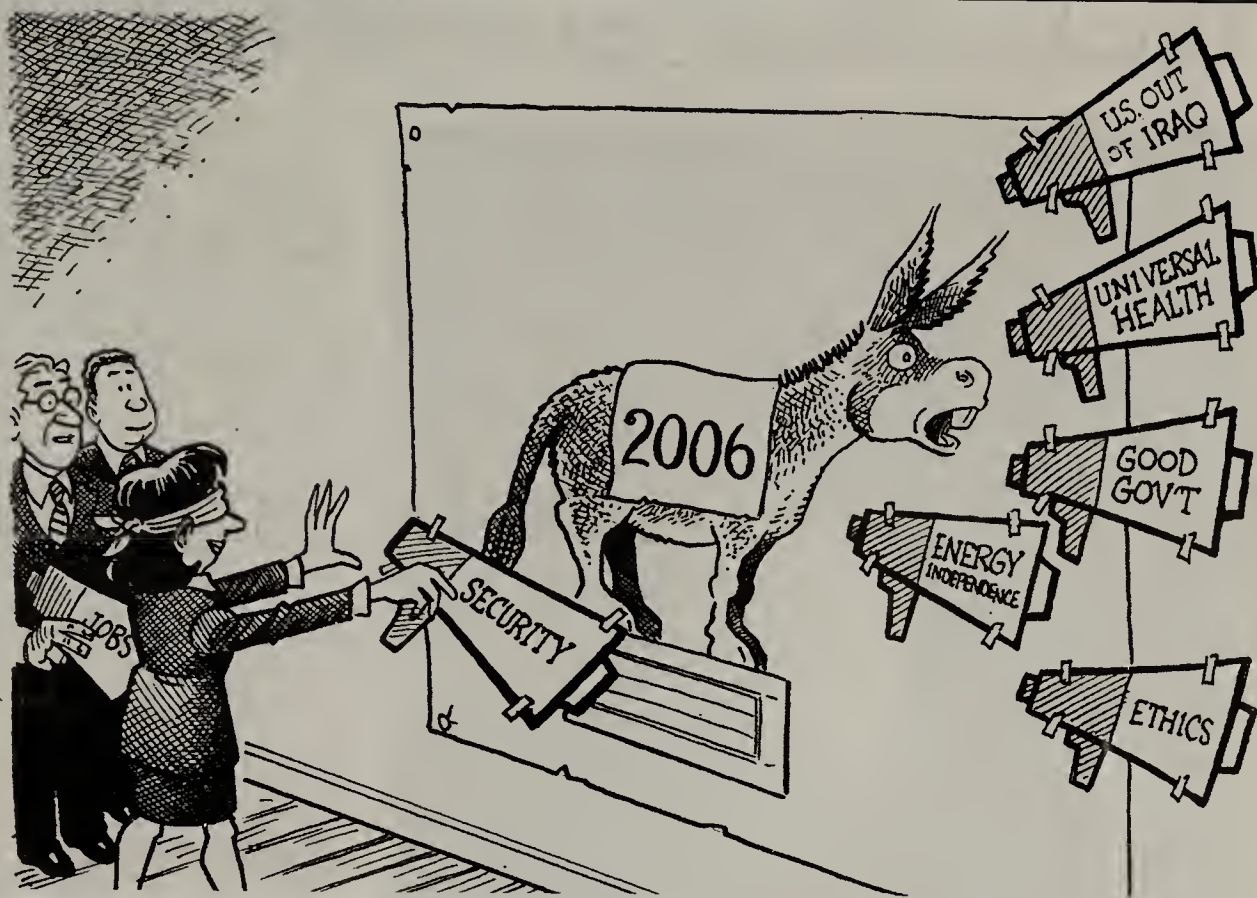
The finals schedule is made so that students can do their absolute best. Midterms are often worth as much as final exams, so why do students have to suffer through a hectic week of tests among everything else? It does not seem logical, nor fair to the student body that there is not set guidelines or dates set for students to take the second most important set of test's all semester long.

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Don't date co-workers

BY ISABEL RODRIGUEZ
Chief Copy Editor

What are you supposed to do when you know you've done something wrong? Usually, the initial reaction is to attempt to make things right. While that solution is usually the way to heal after a regretful situation, it is not in this case.

Yes, my friends, I've done the unthinkable, the regretful, the what-the-heck-were-you-thinking; I dated a co-worker.

Remember that golden rule of not seeing someone you work with on any romantic level? I broke it. Was it intentional? The answer to that would be yes and no. No, I didn't expect to be attracted to someone at work. Yes, I liked someone enough to want to spend time with him outside of work.

Many people advise you not to do something, yet you still do it, and this is definitely my case. I remember that I had a friend tell me not to see my co-worker. He, however, did not raise the red flag and say "stop," yet when mentioning my interest in him, my friend reminded me of what the outcome may be if things didn't work out.

So what happened? Things didn't go the way I thought they would after time. No longer friends, I was left to see him at work, day after day, even the day after we ended our friendship.

It is hard to forget those moments of awkward silences, hellos and not to mention moments of avoiding each other. And of course we'd occasionally see each other outside of work since we share mutual co-worker friends. It is not that great to see him at a party at a co-workers house after working an eight hour shift with him.

After being left with awkwardness, a bummed feeling, an overplayed cd of Jason Mraz (the lyrics of "The Remedy" repeats in my head) and his hoodie that I borrowed months before, I must advise every single being who has contemplated dating a co-worker to think things through.

Yes, I had a not-so-great experience that had led me to preach

these words and some of you may say, "Oh, but that won't happen to me" or "Things happen, you have to take a chance or you'll regret it."

Well, I took the chance and I learned. Do I regret it? In all honesty no, I do not. He'll always be someone of my past. It was an experience I would eventually have gone through. I wouldn't be able to preach my words of wisdom to you if I didn't.

Yet, in saying that, I first found it troublesome to handle from time to time. I ask you to consider the outcomes if you do decide to date a co-worker.

If things do not work out between you two, there is a high possibility that things will become weird and uncomfortable in the workplace. Are you capable in dealing with that?

After ending our friendship, I can recall several times when I would walk into work and he would be the first person I saw. Be prepared to cross paths occasionally, if not, frequently. We both knew we had to cross paths, regardless if we attempted to avoid each other.

Have you ever had a moment of bumping into someone you had a falling out with? Can you recall the feeling of your stomach dropping? The majority of people do feel like that when crossing paths, so imagine that feeling.

Another thought to ponder is acknowledging and ignoring. At the moment of seeing your co-worker just yards away in front of you, the decision of whether to acknowledge or ignore will have to be made. You will have to either say hi and walk by as casual, fast and politely as possible or pretend that you do not see them and walk right by. Why deal with that?

If you all believe in taking that risk then, by all means, more power to you. If things go sour, I won't utter an "I told you so." If the outcome of your dating turns out well, I will be the first one to congratulate you. I just ask you to think things through.

And as for me, when you're ready for either a shoulder to lean on or congratulations, I'll be in my car driving to work, listening to Mraz.

Letter to the editor

I am writing to express my objection to your recent article on the hypocrisy of conservatives. In reference to the first two bumper stickers mentioned in your article regarding pro-life and pro-war sentiments, I would like to inquire how you have determined from them that unborn fetuses are more important than the lives of Middle Easterners?

I will admit the contradiction in the messages, but I do not understand how you arrive at your conclusion. Was one bigger than the other, and, if so, does that mean it overrides the other? Or perhaps it was simply an inference that came quite naturally to you.

As for your online bumper sticker research, I do not believe that you can judge all conservatives by the "typical right wing garbage" as you so eloquently put it. It seems to me ludicrous that you presume all conservatives to be "hateful, spiteful and downright mean" based on internet merchandise. For you to

even begin to make this claim, you must make it only of those who purchase this propaganda, and I seriously doubt that every conservative who has had the opportunity has done so. In fact, I would venture to say that there are quite possibly liberals who have purchased a portion of these items, which would, if I am not mistaken, demonstrate their own hypocrisy.

I believe your judgment to be faulty. I find myself wondering what entitles you to dub this person, or rather his bumper stickers, representative of every conservative. You cannot make valid assertions about an entire group based on a car with contradicting bumper stickers, neither of which you approve. In short, Mr. [David] Funk, there are no absolutes, politically or otherwise.

Sincerely,
Jayme Peacock

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‘The Fog’ leaves no survivors - in the audience

BY JADE LEE CULBERSON
Senior Staff Writer

The scariest thing about "The Fog" is that people are actually paying to see it.

Just in time for Halloween, screenwriter Cooper Layne has murdered John Carpenter's original "The Fog." What remains is a shadow of a horror tale with no scares and a science fiction film with special effects that alternate between lackluster and comically overdone.

Nick Castle (played by Tom Welling of "Smallville" fame) runs a charter fishing business in a small seaside town. His friend, Spooner (DeRay Davis), works with him on their small, somewhat run-down boat. It is obvious that a major "event" is going to touch their lives - because these one-dimensional characters are not interesting in and of themselves.

Stevie Wayne (over-acted by Selma Blair) plays DJ from the lighthouse, passing as the town's excuse for watered-down punk. Piquing the interest of Dan the Weatherman (Jonathon Young) and having had at least a fling with Nick, overdramatic Stevie doesn't lack for attention. She does, however, lack for much knowledge of how to parent her

young son, Andy (Cole Heppell).

The main characters are little more than listed for the audience.

After months in New York, Nick's girlfriend Elizabeth (Maggie Grace) returns home complaining of strange dreams. Greeted coldly by her mother (played dryly by Sara Botsford), she seeks refuge in Nick's arms as odd occurrences begin to occur and an odd fog threatens the town's coast.

Sticking close to the original premise - and sans any originality at all - the fog that rolls in brings more than a change in barometric pressure. Haunting images and malicious ghosts lurk beneath, and the only one who seems to realize what's happening is the town's alcoholic priest Father Malone (Adrian Hough).

People die, the fog finds its way into buildings, and there are accusations of murder. Like any other PG-13 rated horror film, "The Fog" has misguided adults, sexy blonds, car wrecks, a large knife, and the obligatory artsy sex scene. Director Rupert Wainwright just never manages to do anything interesting with any of it.

The special effects could have made this film special even with the lackluster cast and poor directing. Instead, the attempts at scares are ridiculous. Without much needed haunting visual subtlety, this train wreck of a film leaves no survivors.



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The ominous fog closes in on lackluster characters, scaring next to no one in this train wreck of a horror film.

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BY VITA LAZAUSKAS
Staff Writer

Mae, an extremely talented and unique band from Virginia, has recently started their fall headlining tour. Mae is Dave Elkins (Vocals, Guitar), Jacob Marshall (Drums), Mark Padgett (Bass), Rob Sweitzer (Keyboards) and Zach Gehring (Guitar).

The band released their sophomore album, titled "The Everglow," and was one of the acts on the 2005 Warped Tour. The following is an email interview replied to by Zach Gehring.

Q: When did you first realize that music was something you wanted to do?

A: In high school, maybe middle school, music slowly started taking over my life and nothing else seemed to really hold my attention unless it had to do with bands, guitars or shows. I joined some local bands and I always had the best time and had the best friends, it just made sense.

Q: Who are your biggest musical influences?

A: There are a few core influences that the band shares (like U2, The Police, Sunny Day Real Estate, The Beatles). If you ask us that question individually, there will be a wide range of music covered. For me personally, I like Elvis Costello, Elliott Smith, Nick Drake, Wilco, a lot of folk stuff.

Q: If you weren't a musician, what would you see yourself doing?

A: I'd be in school reading books and maybe working toward being a professor.

Q: Where does the inspiration for your songs come from?

A: Our lives our constantly changing, constantly "in motion." So, the inspirations change with the scenery and the lows and highs we go through as a band and personally.

Q: What has helped you get to where you are today?

A: We have an amazing team working for us. We have amazing fans. And since we started touring 3 years ago, we haven't stopped. It's a perfect and fortunate mix of a lot hard work, timing, and luck. Touring would have to take the cake though, without being on the road it's very hard to gain fans, so we tour as much as we can.

Q: What advice do you have for up and coming artists?

A: Well, like I mentioned; tour. Get out and play shows and have fun. Once the fun ceases to be, it will quickly become a job. You have to love what you are doing. You have to be dedicated to it.

Q: What do you enjoy most about being a musician?

A: Well, I work for about one hour a night, and by "work" I mean play my guitar in front of some people. Then I go use my phone, then I watch DVD's, and then I might have a day off after that. So, the life that music has given me so far has been amazing, and the opportunities for travel and meeting new people are great. There's nothing I'd rather be doing. I'm in love with everything about it.

Q: What hopes and dreams do you have for the future of your career?

A: I really just want to be able to do this for as long as possible. It's very easy to be used to what's going on and maybe start to take it for granted, but that's one thing I don't want to do. This kind of profession is very fickle and very fleeting, so I really just want to keep this going, and keep my brain stimulated, creatively. I never want to get comfortable with our music, I want to keep pushing.

Q: What do you miss the most while you're out on tour?

A: I miss everything. I miss my house, my friends, movie theaters, my girlfriend, my brother, my family. I haven't seen my parents since before last summer. It can get taxing. Being gone for so long is exhausting, physically and emotionally, but luckily, I'm on the road with people I love. It's just some-



photo courtesy of punkbands.com

Mae, who recently performed on Warped Tour, have started their own headlining tour and release the new album "The Everglow."

thing that comes with the territory.

Q: What do you bring out on tour with you to remind you of home?

A: I bring a few pictures and books. I try to read as much as possible.

Q: What was it like being on the Warped Tour?

A: It was a blast. It definitely is more exhausting than a normal tour. But at the same time, we are hanging out with our friends and playing for new kids everyday. It's like summer camp really.

Q: What do you enjoy most about headlining?

A: I like it most because we can play a longer set and we don't have to adjust to any-

thing. We set our own tempo. We can play a Mae show, and not be limited by time.

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Bobaflex: Not your typical band

BY JEFF WAUGAMAN
Staff Writer

One of the great things about seeing a festival like Gigantour is that you can discover bands that you have never heard of. Bobaflex is one of those bands. After hearing the street sampler, I was hooked and decided to seek out their new CD.

Bobaflex are Jerod Mankin (bass), Shaun McCoy (lead vocals and guitar), Mike Steele (guitar), Thomas Johnson (drums) and Martin McCoy (vocals and guitar). Shaun and Martin McCoy have ties to one of the historical feuds in American History, the Hatfield's and McCoy's. The Hatfield

McCoy feud began in the late 1800's and was one of the most infamous feuds in history.

Bobaflex is not your typical band. They mix genres such as metal, hip-hop and classic rock in such a way that anybody can get into them no matter which genre is your favorite.

Songs such as "Six Feet Underground" and "Better Than Me" display just how good they are, and they make you want to head-bang proudly again.

"Bullseye" is one of those songs that you have to listen to a few times before you can appreciate it. Shaun and Marty McCoy's vocals on this song blew me away. It was some of the most original vocal styling I have ever heard. The lyrics also got me into the song,

such as "I don't know what I've been told/ 500,000 sold! Jay-Z wasn't talkin' about you."

The other song that I enjoyed was "Turn the Heat Up," which is just a straight metal song. "You wanna save this country /kill all the teenagers" they lament in the song.

The song "Don't Lie Down with Dogs" is one of those vulgar songs that you will either like or dislike.

Bobaflex is currently on tour they will play the Congress Theatre on November 22, 2005 with Mudvayne.

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BY ELIZABETH WILKINSON
Entertainment Editor

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The spotlight's on...

The Biology Club

BY CASSIDY MAZZONI
Club Reporter

Some assume an organization called the biology club only addresses or participates in events concerning the subject of biology. However, the dissection of frogs or discussions about a bio-teacher's most recent lectures may not be found at this club's meetings.

This group is all about having fun and helping the environment at the same time. Yes, educational information can be acquired through some of their outings or events, but who ever said learning and offering assistance to the environment can't be fun?

Most of their events are held off-campus. The only events usually on-campus are meetings and fundraisers. The organization does a great deal of volunteer work. Their bright gold flyers concerning the Kankakee

Sand Project have been seen all over campus, but they do much more.

Jessica Dutton, President of the Biology Club, says their events also include Hoosier Riverwatch and Making Strides Against Breast Cancer.

She hopes the club will participate in more service projects like these ones in the future.

They participate in haunted houses, white-water rafting trips, and off-campus fundraising as well. Dutton said that the white-water rafting excursion is the club's biggest event.

For more information on the biology club, check out:

<http://life.calumet.purdue.edu/biology>.

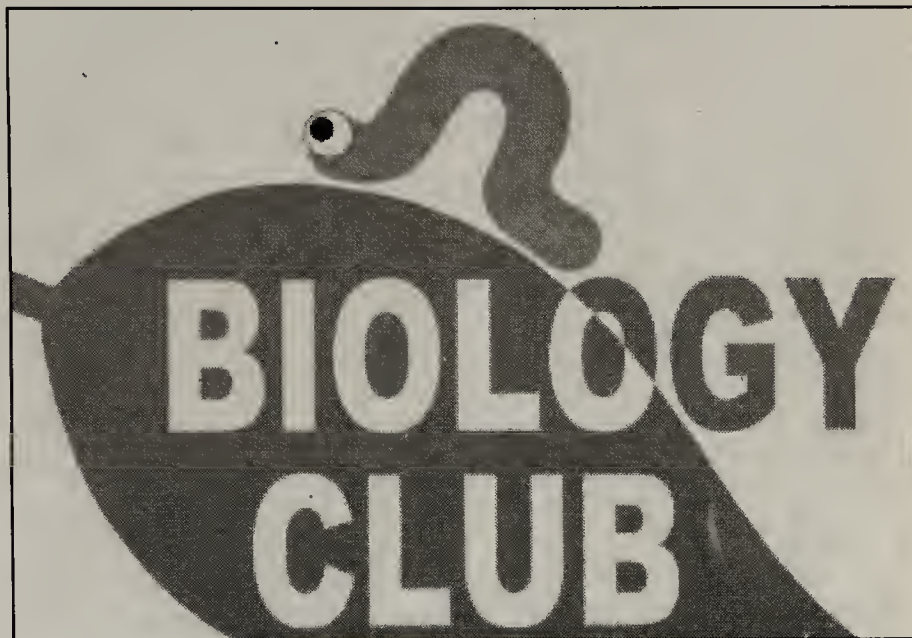


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The Biology Club is about more than just biology, they're involved in many forms of community service and they have a good time, too.

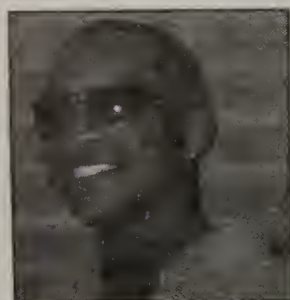
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Katie Templeton, sophomore, business



"3:30 a.m. I was playing the new 'Warriors' game for Xbox."

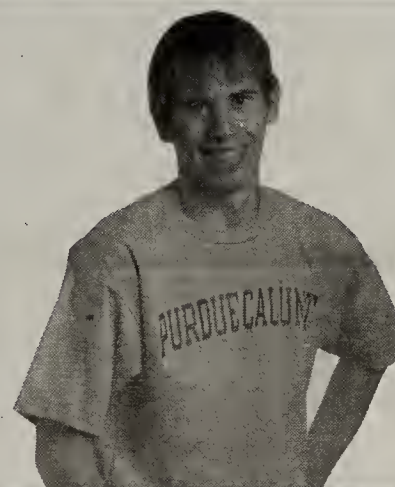
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Safety

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Mike O'Toole, an associate professor in the school of technology and the 'go-to guy' for those interested in pursuing a course in safety at PUC.

While the meeting focused a lot on the actual functioning of this newly formed organization, many facts that could interest and attract the general student population into taking up courses in safety were also brought to light.

Much information was also provided on the kinds of employment opportunities that students of these courses might have during and after their time at PUC.

Chris Wheatley, a safety major from the school of technology, has recently finished an internship with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

"This internship, while not overshadowing the books, provides a far greater opportunity to learn things like sampling and air monitoring which are best understood by practice," said Wheatley.

For those interested, OSHA provides a similar internship. To sweeten the deal, the Great Calumet chapter of OSHA provides a \$500 independent study grant for students. The position involves working 20 to 25 hours with the agency during the semester and can be a great way to gain knowledge of the safety standards across the industrial

spectrum.

In addition, there are opportunities in the insurance sector and within OSHA itself for students after graduation. Trucking and automobile companies also have a demand for trained safety professionals. In fact, an OSHA compliance officer can look forward to taking home a \$60-65K salary after just a few years on the job.

Throughout the meeting, one theme was evident; the need for trained safety professionals is real and the industry is looking for such trained and skilled safety engineers.

Over 10,000 safety professionals are expected to be retiring in the near future and that void will need to be filled.

"At present a lot of people in the safety business are those without any formal degrees," O'Toole said. "For them to acquire this formal education would make tremendous sense and make better safety professionals."

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Debate

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Both students voluntarily came forward when they heard a search was on for students with debating experience.

"I asked my voice and diction class and Danielle stepped forward and said she had debating experience. It also turned out that Matthew, who happens to be the son of one of our professors, also had debating experience," said Channing. "So, they both were willing to step up and take part."

Rupp is currently helping both Royster and Fledderjohann with the context of the debate. He advised both to do a great deal of reading in order to establish historical context before their meeting next Monday.

"I have worked with Matt and he is an excellent student. I am also looking forward to working with Danielle and am confident they both will do great," Rupp said. "But it's going to be a challenge. The topics are very broad. The process is going to be hard."

The American-British Debate will use the British Parliamentary debate format. Kovach said that format is very scripted and different from the way US students debate.

Kovach added that the visiting debaters are always very outgoing, entertaining and extremely knowledgeable people.

"They tend to have similar personalities, have a certain wit to them," said Kovach.

"They can argue any issue, any side.

"It doesn't really matter to them personally; it's not about personal beliefs or your personal view. It is how well you know the issue; so well you can argue either side convincingly."

After both sides take part in their argument, the audience will then be able vote on the winner of the debate.

Kovach views this event as a wonderful opportunity for students to be engaged in international debate and to raise awareness on international issues.

"It is going to be entertaining and educational. Everyone can learn in debate. And, literally, the best debaters in the world are going to be here debating," said Kovach.

He added that this debate serves two purposes: to give a chance to showcase students, student body, professors and programs, and be a program that can reach a lot of people.

"This is going to be an annual thing," said Kovach. "We want to present this opportunity to the invite high schools, community colleges, debate teams, their newspapers and national honor societies to our campus and to see that these are the kind of programs that are a part of our university."

A message from SGA

In previous years at PUC, the student government kept a low profile. They closed their doors, didn't post their office hours and didn't get much done. In 2005, all that is changing. So far, the PUC student government has already outlined an ambitious series of programs to improve the college experience and fight for the rights of all students.

First, let me give you some background information. Last school year, the PUCSGA did not exist. The 2003-2004 student government was plagued by problems including absenteeism, zero accountability and at least one fistfight. A restructuring task force made up of students was formed to deal with the problem. They laid the groundwork for the new student government.

Elections were held last spring. Since the elections took place, the SGA immediately began working on identifying which issues are of most concerns to students, and how these problems can be solved. This process is still ongoing, and we encourage students to contact us with an suggestions, comments or questions they may have.

This SGA is a new organization. So far we have constructed and ratified a constitution, established committees dealing with issues ranging from student services to community service and worked at establishing relations with the Faculty of PUC and the administration.

This week, in our continuing effort to better serve all students, the SGA issued a survey to the entire student body via their Purdue Calumet e-mail accounts. The survey was created by Senator Mandy Lucious, who was recently appointed to be the Public Relations chair for the SGA Executive Board.

The survey states that the SGA is "A group of concerned students who want to make a difference at PUC, and would like your support to help us create a better governing body on campus that will reflect and assist each and every student." The short survey will allow students to voice their

opinions about the academic environment and services offered at PUC.

The PUCSGA will address the issues this year that are of most concern to students.

Once the survey is complete it will go to the President Pro Tempore, Sanjay Anand, who will distribute the results to the SGA Senate, for further discussion. Results will be posted on either our web forum or the SGA website.

Students are encouraged to attend meetings. This is organization filled with dedicated and ambitious members of the student body who are creating a legacy for PUC SGA members for years to come. Meeting times and locations are posted on the SGA web forum.

The student government would like to invite each student to come to their informational forum Tuesday Nov. 1, to get more information on the SGA website. Times will be posted in The Chronicle.

Also, the SGA is always accepting members. Please visit our office or the website to get more information.

SGA President Robin Dunn, would like to thank each member of SGA for the hard work they have invested for the SGA this year. "Each member is an important asset to the organization, and does their best to represent the 'voice of the student'."

The constitution was passed and ratified earlier this month.

Copies of the constitution are available in the SGA Office, SUL 324-F or on the PUCSGA webforum at:
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Additional information may be found at the student government website:
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Bruschi back for New England

BY CHRIS ZACNY
Staff Writer

Tedy Bruschi will always be a champion in the hearts of New England Patriot fans. After last season's Pro Bowl, the Super Bowl champion linebacker suffered a stroke that left Patriot and NFL fans in shock.

This injury forced Bruschi to retire after the season, which made the situation more upsetting and put fans in state of disbelief. Even after Bruschi learned to walk again and doctors patched up holes in his heart there is still enough fire in him to still play football.

On Sunday, the Patriots let the media know that doctors have cleared Bruschi to play again. Bruschi didn't waste any time; he started practicing with his team last Wednesday. The co-captain seemed motivated to play this season as he continued to workout, run, and even stand on the side line of home games with his former teammates.

The Patriots are 3-3 this season after losing only two games in each of the previous two seasons. Injuries have caused major

problems for the Pats this year with the loss of safety Rodney Harrison for the year and defensive end Richard Seymour for the past two games.

With the defense needing much help, the Patriot's head coach Bill Belichick, according to foxsports.com, has said that he is not going to rush Bruschi back into the Pats lineup.

"I love Tedy Bruschi. He's been a significant player for our team," Belichick said. "But I'm not going to do a minute-to-minute evaluation."

Ranking last in the NFL in red zone defense, the Pats could use help up the middle. With only three takeaways this season, Bruschi's leadership and nose for the football could give Tom Brady some more chances to score.

Starting last Wednesday, the Pats had 21 days to activate the linebacker or put him on injured reserved for the rest of the year. Bruschi's original plan was to take the entire season off with his wife and three sons but after seeing several specialists, he has gotten enough favorable reports to play again.

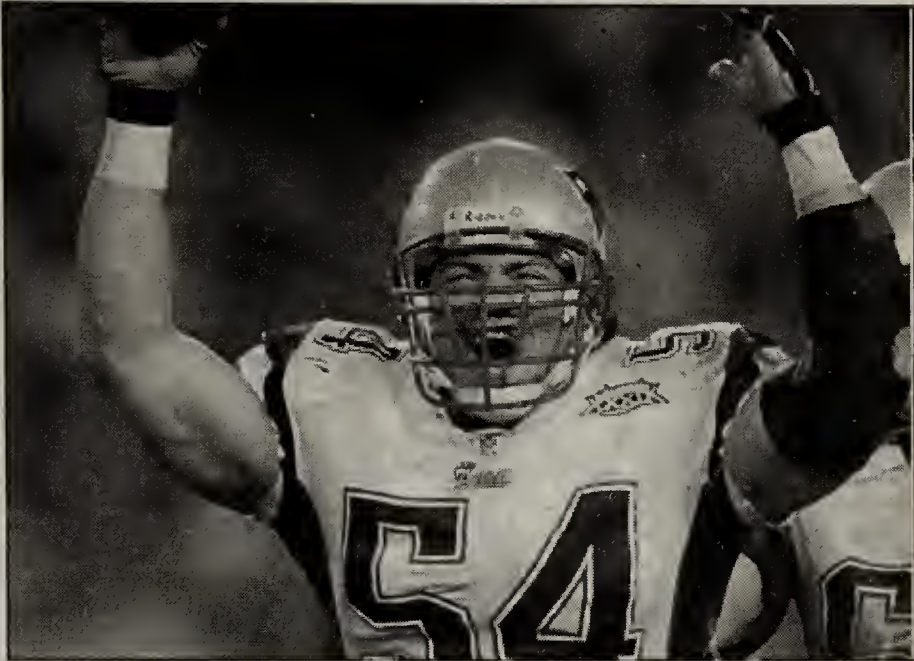


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Tedy Bruschi is back after missing nearly half of the season due to illness.

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Oakland at Tennessee	Noon	CBS	Raiders by 3
Washington at NY Giants	Noon	FOX	Giants by 3
Jacksonville at St. Louis	Noon	CBS	Jaguars by 6
Minnesota at Carolina	Noon	FOX	Panthers by 7
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The CAL-culation: Real Sports Talk

Literally dying to play

BY CALVIN R. DAVIS
Sports Editor

It's safe to say that you have a tough job when everyday at work could be your last. When each time you put your uniform on, there's a strong possibility that you won't live to take it off. Sound tough right? Well that's what its like for police officers, military personnel, firefighters and lately athletes. Yes athletes, both professional and collegiate. In the past 15 years or so, we have seen a significant number of athletes lose their lives trying to fulfill their dreams.

One of the most memorable incidences of that nature occurred in 1990 when Loyola Marymount star Hank Gathers died on the court due to an undetected heart ailment. A few years ago the Boston Celtics

saw the death of a promising young player in their organization in 1993, when Reggie Lewis died of an undetected heart condition.

More recently, we have seen the deaths of football players like Korey Stringer who died during the Minnesota Vikings training camp in 2001. That same summer, Rashidi Wheeler of Northwestern University died on the practice field.

You may have read an article in this publication recently about Bulls' forward Eddy Curry refusing to take a DNA test in order to be cleared by the Bulls to play.

In a press conference with the New York Knicks, who he plays for now, Curry discussed the situation. "People should stop looking at me like a patient and more like a basketball player," Curry said.

It must be noted that Curry missed a significant amount of games toward the end of the season due to you guessed it, a

heart ailment. And about two weeks ago the Atlanta Hawks lost Jason Collier, who died in his sleep.

In this issue of our publication, there is a story about Teddy Bruschi of the New England Patriots who is returning to the team after recovering from a stroke last February and having surgery to repair a hole in his heart.

A hole in his heart.

I don't know about you, but a hole in the heart seems like a pretty serious injury. We're not talking about a torn ACL or a broken thumb.

The horrible thing about these situations is the fact that these deaths were mostly caused by conditions that went undetected. These athletes, who you would assume receive the best medical attention and are in the best possible physical condition, seem to be putting their lives on the line without even knowing it.

So who's to blame? In Reggie Lewis' situation, he had what was called a "dream team" of 12 doctors examine him. All but one of the doctors said that Lewis should not play anymore. The rest is history. You would think that, since Hank Gathers died under similar circumstances less than five years before, Lewis would have been more cautious before getting back on the court. Yet, he decided to play. In the cases of Eddy Curry and Teddy Bruschi, I'm sure that they know what the risks are and they both have decided that they want to play. So, I say let them play. These are all consenting adults with the mental capacity to understand the risks that they are putting themselves in.

History is something to be learned from and hopefully we won't see it repeat itself.



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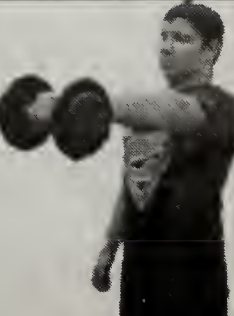
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White Sox in World Series

BY CALVIN DAVIS
Sports Editor

It's been a long time coming, but the Chicago White Sox have finally done it. After 36 years of mishaps and miscues, the Sox have made it to the World Series.

They started the season on fire, jumping out to an early lead in their division and held on to it until the end. At one point in July, the Sox held a 15 game lead in the Central Division.

As the season went on they went through the normal trials and tribulations that teams go through during a 162 game season. Toward the end they kind of sputtered and got into a close race for the division with the Cleveland Indians. But like good teams always do, they played well when it mattered.

As Central Division champions,

they came into the playoffs with something to prove to everyone but themselves.

In their first series against the defending champion Boston Red Sox, the boys in black should have silenced all doubts. They swept the Red Sox in three games behind some great pitching exhibitions.

One of the most notable was what Orlando Hernandez did in the game that clenched the series on the road in Boston. "El Duque", as he is often called, came into Game 3 with the bases loaded and no outs. All he did was come into the game and retire three batters to get out of the inning. He went on to retire eight batters in a row and secure the victory.

In the next series against the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim, the Sox faced a more formidable foe. Both teams played a similar type of baseball; not depending on

home runs as much as small ball and manufacturing runs. They lost

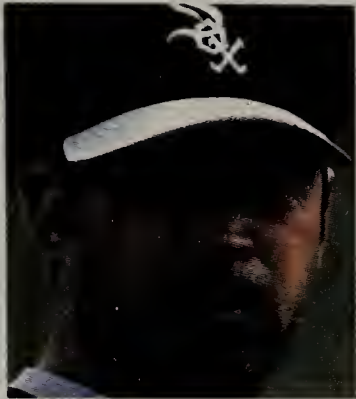


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Ozzie Guillen has the Sox four wins away from a title.

the first game 3-2 which to date was their only loss of the playoffs. Game 2 of that series was one that will probably go down as one of

the most controversial games in playoff history. In the ninth inning of that game A.J Pierzynski swung at a pitch for strike three as was assumed, by the Angels at least, to be out. The home plate umpire however failed to make his call crystal clear and Pierzynski ran to first base. After a few minutes of Angels manager Mike Socia pleading with the umpires Pierzynski was called safe.

That out would have been the final out of the inning. But the call went the way of the White Sox and allowed Joe Crede to end the tie game with a RBI single.

Lost in all the controversy of that game was the wonderful complete game pitched by White Sox starter Mark Buehrle. Complete games were the story of the series for the White Sox, as their starters went on to pitch four complete games in a row, a rarity in the play-

offs.

The team went on to win the next three games in Anaheim, which shouldn't come as a surprise since the White Sox were the best road team in baseball this season.

After waiting for the NLCS to end the White Sox found out that the Houston Astros would be their opponent in the World Series after they defeated the St. Louis Cardinals.

The Astros are a team that specializing in good pitching as well. They have two pitchers who have pitched in and won World Series before in Andy Petite and Roger Clemons. The Astros also feature a flame thrower in Roy Oswalt.

The American League won the All Star game, so the White Sox will be granted home field advantage. The series started in Chicago on Saturday.

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Michigan at Northwestern	6:00 PM	N/A	Wolverines by 7

Volleyball hits midseason

BY BRANDON THOMAS
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The fall intramural volleyball season began its fifth week last Thursday night in the fitness center. The night's matches featured some exciting action, but the final one seemed to stand out as the closest.

As the north court of the gym was filled with tables, the south court was filled with harsh kills on both sides of the net.

The two teams battled each other evenly throughout the match. And the rally score rules made scoring a regular occurrence, allowing either team to score regardless of the possession.

Bigger Dog brought a very confident attitude into the night's game, sporting an impressive record of 8-2 on the season and going undefeated through their first six games. But the Bad News Bears came into this midseason game with something to prove.

The Bears had thoughts of upsetting the undefeated, league-leading Bigger Dog. While the ball was bouncing back and fourth on either side of the court, the scoring

followed the same suit. It seemed as though one team couldn't score without the other one answering.

Despite the fact that Bigger Dog took the first game, Bad News Bears narrowly defeated them in the next two games, winning the match in a very close final showdown. With this exciting victory over the top seeded Bigger Dog, the Bad News Bears may prove to be a favorite come playoff time.

They may achieve this by playing with the aggression that they won with on Thursday night.

Bigger Dog was disappointed in their loss, but still has very high hopes for the second half of the season. They believe that they will be able to resurrect their winning ways, with a lot of volleyball left to play.

"We've been working our butts off, and just need to communicate better", said Bigger Dog team member Jessica Sullivan.

Bigger Dog feels their solid record shows that they deserve to be one of the top teams in the league, and they should be able to rectify their loss as the volleyball season continues through the mid-point and into the playoffs.

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